

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re: | Application No. 10/694,960 |) | <i>Confirmation No. 4443</i> |
| Filed: | October 28, 2003 |) | |
| Applicants: | Isabelle LAYE et al. |) | |
| Title: | PROCESS CHEESE CONTAINING INCREASED LEVELS OF WHEY PROTEIN |) | This Response was electronically filed on May 15, 2008 using EFS-Web. |
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RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time in the above-identified application, up to and including May 23, 2008, to make this reply timely.

In response to the Office Action mailed November 23, 2007 and Office Communication (Interview Summary) mailed March 3, 2008 as entered in the above-captioned matter, Applicants respectfully submit a Request For Continued Examination, a Declaration by one of the inventors, and the following remarks.

Listing of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.